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Title: COMBINATION SPRING	)	Confirmation no.: 5746
TENSION ROD AND MOUNTING	)	
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the action dated June 16, 2006, applicants hereby present the following Remarks.

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**Remarks** begin on page 8.